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# **MULTIMEDIA UNIVERSITY**

## FINAL EXAMINATION

TRIMESTER 2, 2019/2020

## PPC0116 - PRE-CALCULUS

(All sections / Groups)

3 MAR 2020 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. (2 Hours)

## INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENTS

- 1. This question paper consists of 3 pages with 4 questions.
- 2. Answer all questions.
- 3. Unless stated otherwise, if an answer is given as a decimal, it should be rounded to four significant figures.
- 4. Write your answers in the Answer Booklet provided.
- 5. Show all relevant working.

#### Question 1

- (a) The (gross) price of a road vehicle is RM 35400. This total includes the following:
  - the net sales price of the vehicle,
  - Tax A of 15%,
  - Tax B which is a fifth of Tax A.

What was the net sales price of the vehicle before addition of the taxes?

[5 marks]

(b) Solve the following equation by rearranging and completing the square:

$$x = \frac{2x^2 + 2x + 7}{x - 4}.$$

[7 marks]

(c) The following radical equation is given:

$$\sqrt{2x-5}-\sqrt{x-1}=1.$$

- (i) Simplify (but do not solve) the equation to eliminate the radicals. Write your answer in the form  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ . [6 marks]
- (ii) Without solving, determine the nature of the possible solutions (i.e., two distinct real solutions, one repeated real solution or two complex solutions).

[3 marks]

(iii) Solve the equation using the quadratic formula and identify the extraneous solution, if any. [4 marks]

#### **Question 2**

- (a) Given  $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$  and  $g(x) = \frac{-x^3+2}{x^6}$ :
  - (i) Find  $(g \circ f)(x)$ .

2 marks

(ii) Determine the inverse of f, i.e.,  $f^{-1}$  and verify that  $f^{-1}[(f(x))] = x$ .

[2+2 marks]

(b) Solve the inequality  $\frac{3x+1}{x+4} \ge 1$ . Obtain your solution using the real number line.

[7+2 marks]

- (c) Given the polynomial function  $f(x) = -x^5 + 4x^3$ :
  - (i) Find its x- and y-intercepts, if any.

[3 marks]

- (ii) At each x-intercept, determine whether the graph touches or crosses the x-axis. [2 marks]
- (iii) What is the maximum number of turning points for f?

[1 mark]

(iv) Hence, sketch the graph of f.

[4 marks]

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#### **Question 3**

- (a) The exponential growth model  $N(t) = 30e^{0.0198026t}$  describes the population of a city, in thousands, t years after 2004. When will the city's population be 60 thousand? [4 marks]
- (b) Solve for x if  $\log_2 x + \log_2 (x 3) = 2$ . [5 marks]
- (c) Express the following series in summation notation (do not find the sum):

$$\frac{2}{2} + \frac{2^2}{4} + \frac{2^3}{6} + \dots + \frac{2^{10}}{20}.$$

[3 marks]

- (d) A dampened oscillator starts vibrating at 1000 oscillations per second. Every second after that, it makes 4/5 as many vibrations as the previous second. How many oscillations would it have completed before coming to a stop? [7 marks]
- (e) Expand  $(x-3)^5$  using the binomial theorem. [6 marks]

#### Question 4

(a) Solve the following absolute-value inequality and graph the solution set on the real number line:

$$|6t + 10| \ge 3$$
.

[4+1 marks]

- (b) The polynomial function  $f(x) = 2x^3 + 7x^2 + 5x + 1$  has one rational root.
  - (i) Using the rational root theorem, find all possible candidates for that root.[4 marks]
  - (ii) Show that x = -1/2 is the correct root.

[2 marks]

(iii) f(x) is divided by x + 1/2. Based on (ii), what is the remainder?

[2 marks]

(c) Find the partial fraction decomposition of

$$f(x) = \frac{3x + 11}{x^2 - x - 6}.$$

[8 marks]

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